

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Condition of the Grain, Stock and Provision Markets.

QUOTATIONS FROM THE MONETARY WORLD

Item Opening in October—Advances in Hog Product—Estimates—Closing Board Tables.

Cotton. Oct. 2.—(Special).—Although some of the Gulf cottons were slightly lower the market opened firm and a shade higher owing principally to continued bad weather in the Northwest, the falling off of receipts and indications that farmers' deliveries were likely to continue lighter. A few large buying orders from the East started an advance which continued with scarcely any reaction until the close, closing two cents higher than yesterday, the causes were lighter receipts West and weather in the Northwest and continued drought in the winter wheat region large clearances, reports of better demand for flour for domestic and foreign account, and increased demand for grain and the short supply of good supplies at elevators in New York. St. Louis and Chicago have been quite busy for the past week. The advance to-day has made them quite active on the other side. A few local speculators have also come in, but a good portion of them seem to be masters of the situation and are keeping demand helping them out. The shorts in long futures were becoming necessary and difficult in protecting their positions. November cash was being very hard to get, and without advancing the market price. The fall from the nominal price can seem entirely neglected. Receipts are all taken for domestic or shipping account, while the speculative element remains. The reduction of stocks was the principal cause of the sharp advance in hog product. More than half the stock of shorts which were in store August 1st has disappeared and the reduction in hogs is even greater than in the case of the market. The fall of mess pork it is quite probable the rats would now be selling for 15 cents a pound. Should the hot weather continue through a portion of October well cured meats are likely to bring good prices.

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